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MEMORANDUM FOR

The Vice President
The Secretary of State
The Secretary of Defense
The Director, Office of Management and Budget
The Director, Central Intelligence
The Director, Office of Emergency Preparedness

SUBJECT: Further Guidance on Defense Program FY 72-76

In making his decision on priorities for reductions in General Purpose Forces as set forth in National Security Decision Memorandum 84, the President was following the Reduced Program in Table 8 of the DPRC report, Defense Planning 1971-76 (Revision 7).

The priorities established in paragraph 3 of National Security Decision Memorandum 84 are illustrative. Within the budget level of the DPRC Reduced Program, the President will consider other possible force packages for General Purpose Forces.

These alternative packages of General Purpose Forces, together with their strategic and military implications, should be forwarded by October 15, for consideration by the DPRC and ultimately, the NSC.

Henry A. Kissinger

cc: The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff
The Chairman, Council of Economic Advisors

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